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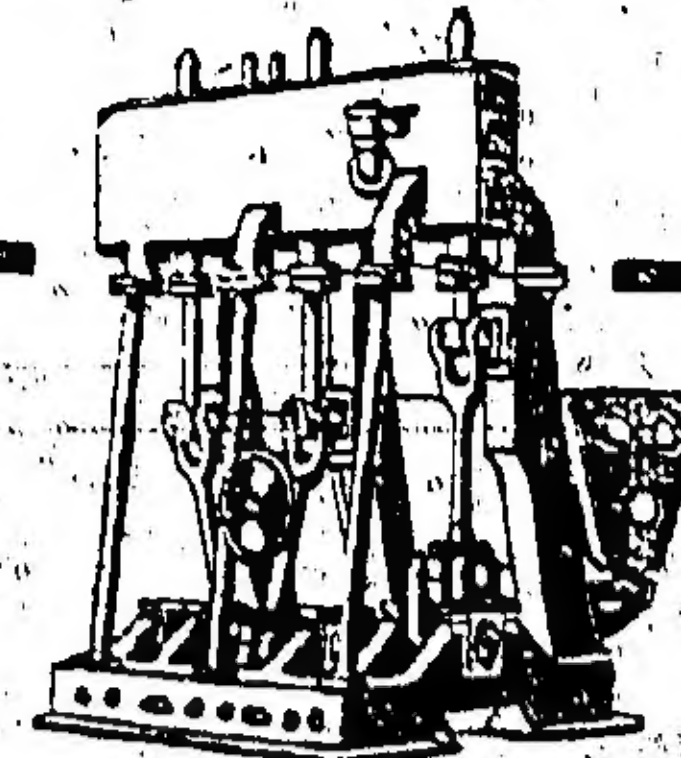
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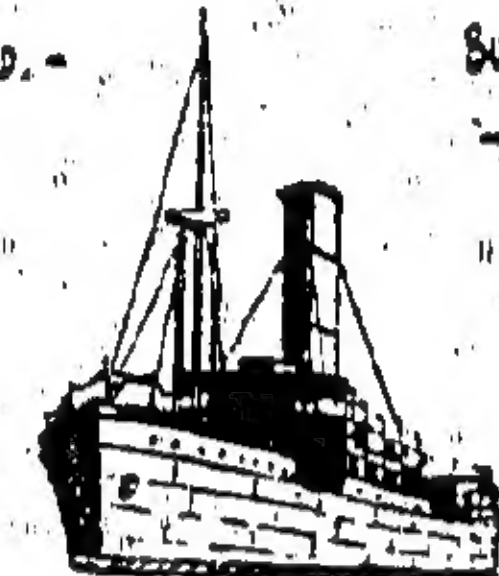
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**LATEST TELEGRAMS.**

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**THE KAISER'S  
DUPLICITY.**

**CORRESPONDENCE  
WITH THE TSAR.**

LURID LIGHT ON GERMANY'S  
INTERNATIONAL DEALINGS.

GERMAN OCCUPATION OF  
DENMARK CONTEMPLATED.

London, Sept. 4.  
Further documents which passed  
between the Kaiser and the Tsar are  
published in the New York Herald.  
The Kaiser quotes a Reuter tele-  
gram, dated July 1905, announcing  
the forthcoming visit of the British  
Fleet to the Baltic, on which the  
Kaiser expresses his opinion that  
this was intended to frighten him.  
The Kaiser, in a subsequent tele-  
gram, complains of the coolness of  
his reception at Copenhagen and the  
Danish distrust of Germany but said  
he thought the Danes were gradu-  
ally reconciling themselves to the  
inevitability of occupation in case of  
war.

A telegram from the Kaiser to the  
Tsar, dated September 29, 1905, in  
connection with the Russo-Japanese  
war, suggests that France left Russia  
notoriously in the lurch, whereas  
Germany helped her as far as possi-  
ble. The telegram states: "That  
put Russia morally under obliga-  
tions to us."  
Other telegrams from the Kaiser  
advised the Tsar to put the respon-  
sibility for the peace negotiations on  
the "Duma" so as to shield himself  
from possible disastrous con-  
sequences.

Altogether, the correspondence  
leaves the impression of almost in-  
credible duplicity on the part of the  
Emperor, and it concludes with the  
typical passage: "We have joined  
hands before God who has heard our  
vows. What is signed is signed. God  
is our testator."  
LATER.  
The complete text of the Kaiser  
and the Tsar telegrams regarding the  
Baltic and Denmark has now been  
received.

The correspondence shows that  
after the meeting of the two Em-  
perors at Bjorkoe, the Kaiser, in  
agreement with the Tsar, undertook  
the realization of the scheme to  
declare the Baltic a closed sea, but  
owing to the resistance of Denmark  
and the threatening attitude of Great  
Britain, the Kaiser decided, in 1905,  
in the event of war with Great  
Britain, to treat Denmark as he  
treated Belgium later, namely to  
occupy neutral Denmark with his  
armies in order to secure advantages  
which Denmark refused by declining  
to join in the secret Russo-German  
combination.

The British and Allied newspapers  
give prominence to the correspon-  
dence between the Tsar and the  
Kaiser as throwing a lurid light on  
the poisonous methods of German  
international dealings and the appal-  
ling danger of autocrats controlling  
diplomacy.  
The incompleteness of the corre-  
spondence, which continued through-  
out 1905, and perhaps later, leaves  
one guessing as to why the plot  
failed, but it seems certain that it  
was owing to the growing Franco-  
Russian rapprochement, before and  
during the Algerias affair.  
The Times says that the correspon-  
dence is a fresh proof of the Kaiser's  
insincerity and points out that this  
was the man who furnished Great  
Britain with a plan for a campaign  
against the Boers. Who can trust  
his honour and good faith? Yet it  
is on this rotten foundation that the  
peace fanatics desire to build the  
future safety of the world.

**THE LATEST AIR-RAIDS ON  
ENGLAND**

SHEerness AND CHATHAM  
DISTRICT BOMBED.

107 NAVAL MEN KILLED.

London, Sept. 4.  
A British official statement states  
that six aeroplanes participated in  
last night's air raid. They proceed-  
ed as far as Chatham and dropped  
bombs on the Isle of Thanet, Sheer-  
ness and in the Chatham district.

There were no army casualties.  
One civilian was killed and six were  
injured. The material damage was  
slight.

Our machines went up and anti-  
aircraft guns were fired, without  
result.  
The Secretary to the Admiralty  
reports that during the raid, 107  
naval ratings were killed and 86  
wounded.

**HEAVIEST NON-CIVILIAN  
LOSSES.**

LATER.  
Last night's air raid involved the  
heaviest non-civilian losses of any  
raid that has yet taken place.  
It is not stated officially where the  
naval ratings were killed and injured  
but unofficial reports mention that  
the naval barracks at Chatham were  
struck, involving serious loss.  
Apparently the raiders were over  
the coast for a considerable time and  
it was a clear moonlight night.

**GERMANY'S NEW AEROPLANE  
TACTICS.**

HARVEST MOON RAIDS.

London, Sept. 4.  
The Germans seem to be develop-  
ing new aeroplane tactics, and the  
harvest moon raids are not confined  
to the south-east.

Correspondents report raids in  
Flanders and messages concerning  
last night's raid on the south-east  
coast say that several heavy bombs  
were heard in Kent, some miles  
inland. The midnight air re-sounded  
with the noise of aircraft engines  
and the bombs dropped on September  
2nd were very heavy, making a  
crater forty feet wide.

**ANOTHER RAID.**

SOME MACHINES REACH  
LONDON DISTRICT.

London, Sept. 5.  
A British official message states  
that a number of enemy aeroplanes  
crossed the south-east coast, at  
eleven last night, and dropped  
bombs on a number of places.  
Some of the machines reached the  
London district, where bombs were  
dropped.

No reports of damage have yet  
been received.

**BRITISH NAVAL AIR-RAID.**

London, Sept. 4.

The Admiralty announces that  
naval aircraft, on Sunday night,  
bombed docks, submarine shelters  
and railway sidings at Bruges, caus-  
ing a fire to break out at the lock-  
gates from the Cluse Canal.  
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## LONDON LETTER.

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## THE RAIDERS.

LONDON, July 13.  
The recurrence of air raids on London and the clear declaration of the Premier that the military needs at the front are the first consideration, have not improved the temper of Londoners. Not that there is a scare, or weakening at the knees over this latest development of Hun "frightfulness," but there is irritation that after three years of war and assurances that London was now invulnerable, home defence still remains to be attended to "later on," and the enemy can come and go with comparative impunity.

Assuredly the enemy caught us more or less by surprise in the raid on Harwich and London in the last fortnight. The former was a more or less legitimate attack on a naval base, but the curious thing is that raiders passed first over a camp in Suffolk supplied with anti-aircraft guns, but they were not fired because no officer was handy who was authorized to give the order to fire. I was at an east town not far away at the time and clearly heard the explosions. It was ludicrous to find later that we were being warned at that town to take shelter two hours after the enemy had gone home.

There is this justification for the advocates of warnings. It had been said by the opponents of such notices that the effect would be that people would simply flock to the streets. Now on Saturday, when the great squadron of enemy aeroplanes began to bomb the town, the streets were cleared as if by magic. People took refuge in any premises that happened to be safe and handy. One great Oxford Street store opened its basement doors and five hundred people took shelter there. The result of this "dive for the dug-out" was that the casualties were very light, considering the size of the raiding party. In one great City area where many bombs were dropped and upper floors were badly damaged, there were only seven killed, because at the first sound the managers hurried the staffs below till the raid was over.

The raiders appeared out of a clear sky, passing over north-west London and thence towards the City. Their numbers are variously stated, but certainly there were over twenty, arranged so that the fighting craft were on the outside of the bombing planes. There is a general impression that their object also was to take photographs with a view to greater raids still later.

on. The Germans don't appear to have been quite clear as to their direction, for they claim to have damaged Charing Cross station, which was not within even a short distance of the bombs. Dame Rumour has also been having a merry time, alleging that the General Post Office was destroyed, the West End laid waste, and several stations ruined. None of these statements is true, so if they have reached your part of the world, this statement of mine may have some value as a reassurance. Certain buildings in the business part of the town and certain districts, especially in the East End, suffered most. It was a serious raid, of course, but not so bad as rumour made it out to be, aided by the system of Censorship which prevented any plain statement of the facts.

The development of these aeroplane raids is a far more dangerous thing than the Zeppelin raids and makes London, in the opinion of many, a more risky place than many of the coast towns hitherto held to be so perilous that no visitors now go there. I have visited Great Yarmouth and Lowestoft in the past fortnight. It would have been the height of the season in normal summer and there would have been stores of thousands of holiday makers. Instead, there was desolation. Only a few local residents were to be seen on the sea fronts, the boarding houses were either closed or just existing by taking in officers and their relatives attached to local garrisons or camps. Yet Londoners will not budge from their City. Raids or no raids the metropolis will go on its way within an hour almost as unmoved as before. The raiders can achieve no measure of military importance by these "tip and run" forays.

## THE GUNS.

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## MESOPOTAMIA.

The promise that the great Mesopotamia scandal shall be the subject of an official judicial inquiry, with power to investigate the responsibility of all concerned, whether military, medical or civil, has been well received except for doubts as to the commissioner's whitewashing this and that important functionary. If that is done there will be a big row for the public, even in its present habit of accepting almost anything, is so worked up over the sufferings of the wounded in Mesopotamia under the early incompetent administration, that scalps are called for and the men with a "pull" will find it increasingly hard to get the usual strings to work for their escape. The only real satisfaction is felt in the fact that all the officers concerned have been relieved of their duties for the present. The danger is that the inquiry may run its course so long that the anger of the public will cool and the ghastly errors of the Indian Government and military medical authorities may be eclipsed by some fresh sensation. It may be taken for granted, however, that when the men of the armies come home again to take part in ordinary life, there will be far less tolerance of incompetence in high places.

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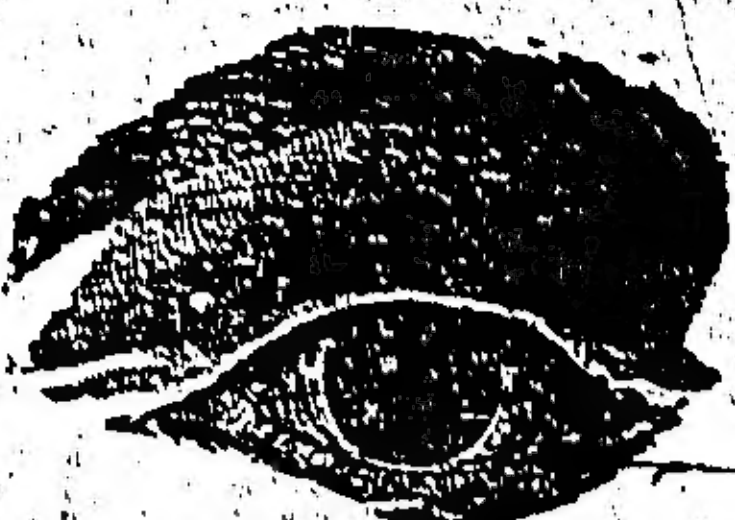
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## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

RUSSIAN RETIREMENT  
IN RIGA REGION.ENEMY SHIPS SHELLING THE  
COAST.

LONDON, Sept. 4.  
A Russian official message, transmitted by wireless, states:—  
We evacuated Riga yesterday after blowing up the fortifications at the mouth of the Dvina and the bridges.

Our retirement continues to the north-east.

Enemy ships are now shelling the Riga coast and villages in the direction of Raskul.

The enemy dislodged our troops at Great Jagel and penetrated our positions on a thirteen verst front and occupied Valdenode, we retiring to the north-west.

Movements are being taken to readjust our front.

Our troops are failing to withstand the enemy pressure in the region of Mikhil, Rybank and Kramoren. We have retired to the north-east.

THE ATTACK ON RIGA  
ANTICIPATED.PRINCIPAL OFFICES, ALREADY  
EVACUATED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 4.  
The attack against Riga had been anticipated for a considerable time and the evacuation of the principal offices, and institutions, had been already carried out.

This decision was due to hopes of the troops not being dependable, and the evacuation of the principal offices, and institutions, had been already carried out.

The offensive began on September 1st with a six hours bombardment with shrapnel shells and gas waves. Then the enemy threw the first pontoons across the Dvina. Some were destroyed by the Russian batteries but the Germans ultimately gained a footing on the opposite bank.

Subsequently, bitter fighting occurred, the loyal Russians counter-attacking and sinking the Mousellaise, headed by flag carriers.

The enemy brought up reinforcements during the night, whereupon the Russians withdrew to the north.

The German artillery seriously damaged the town in the attack, which was not accompanied by naval operations.

The news has depressed the Petrograd Bourse, and prices fell considerably.

## GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 4.  
A German official message, by wireless, states:—

The Russians evacuated the bridge head to the west of the Dvina at Riga. We stand before the mouth of the Dvina and Riga is oblige at many points.

In a bitter struggle, we overcame strong Russian forces on both sides of Great Jagel, and took thousands of prisoners and 150 guns.

We captured a hill to the south-east of Chernowitz.

DUE TO DEMORALISATION OF  
RUSSIAN TROOPS.

LONDON, Sept. 4.  
No attempt is made to minimise the situation at Riga, but it is pointed out that the disaster is entirely due to the demoralisation of the Russian troops who abandoned the strong Dvina line, practically without a shot. It remains to be seen whether the Germans can make full use of Riga as a base, as the Russian Navy may be able seriously to interfere with the convoys.

## THE KAISER'S CONGRATULATIONS.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 4.  
The Kaiser has telegraphed to Prince Leopold of Bavaria, the captor of Riga, his congratulations, "on the fine success due to far seeing leadership and a steel hard will to victory." The message concludes with the words, "Onward with God!"

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

BRITISH LINE ADVANCED IN  
ST. JULIEN REGION.

LONDON, Sept. 4.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—  
We advanced our line to the north-east of St. Julien.

We successfully carried out a raid to the north of Lens.

We drove off raiders to the south-west of La Bassée.

GREAT ACTIVITY ON FRENCH  
FRONT.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

A French communiqué states:—  
Our fire smashed up an attack, in the region of Houthaise farm, by enemy detachments, which suffered heavy losses and attained no result.

Reconnaissance penetrated an enemy salient to the east of Sapignoulles, yesterday, by surprise and killed or captured the garrison after a lively engagement.

We carried out an important raid on both sides of the Spaning, Sommeval Road in Champagne, yesterday evening, and penetrated the enemy front line on a front of 800 metres.

We destroyed a great many gas tanks, blew up dug-outs and brought back 40 prisoners, four machine-guns, a trench mortar and much material.

German aeroplanes bombed Dunkirk, Calais and in the region of Dunesville, to the north of Nancy.

There were several casualties at Calais but the damage done was insignificant.

French aeroplanes dropped fifteen and a half tons of bombs on aerodromes, bivouacs and railway stations, including Cambrai and Metz, causing important damage.

Thirteen German aeroplanes were brought down.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message, by wireless, states:—

We throw out the English who penetrated our line to the north-west of Lens.

We bombed Javor, Chatham, Shierness and Bursgate.

Yesterday we shot down nineteen airmen and two balloons.

## GREAT ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

A French communiqué states:—  
There has been great artillery activity in the regions of Laffaux mill, between Cerny and Alles and on both banks of the Meuse.

ITALIAN OPERATIONS.

## POLA HARBOUR BOMBED.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

An Italian official message states that 30 aeroplanes bombed the military works and the Fleet in Pola Harbour and the Fiume Canal. Nine tons of bombs were dropped, causing destruction and fires.

[Pola is Austria's principal naval station, in the peninsula of Istria.]

## THE BALKANS.

## AN ATTACK BY THE FRENCH.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

A Bulgarian communiqué states that there has been very violent enemy bombardments all day long on the Macedonian front, on September 2. It continued throughout the night with great fury.

At dawn yesterday, the French attacked at Tehervens, Stena and West Bitolia, but our certain fire repulsed the enemy.

THE LOYALTY OF THE RUMANIAN  
ARMY.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Reuter learns from an authoritative source that the frequent Russo-German attempts to seduce the Rumanian army, to incite the peasants to revolt and to seize land, have utterly failed.

The Rumanians are most loyal and courageous and are determined to continue the struggle at all costs.

Rumanian reservists have filled the gaps due to the defection in the Russian Divisions at Focani.

The King and the Crown Prince are still at Jassy and the Queen has gone to Kherson.

RUSSIAN GENERAL TO BE  
BANISHED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 4.

It is reported that the Government has decided to banish General Gurko.

## THE CRY FROM SERBIA.

## CHILDREN DYING IN THOUSANDS.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The Press Bureau announces that the Serbian Press Bureau publishes an appeal to all the Allies to help save the unfortunate Serbian population. The internal conditions are deplorable. The enemy has removed the whole of the harvest and the inhabitants have only one loaf weekly. Children are dying in thousands for lack of milk.

About 80,000 interned Serbians and prisoners have perished in Austria-Hungary.

## THE STOCKHOLM CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The Trades Union Congress has postponed the discussion of the Stockholm Conference until to-morrow.

LATER.

The Trades Union Congress at Blackpool has decided against the Stockholm Conference, at the present time, by 2,849,000 votes to 91,000.

MR. HENDERSON ON THE  
DECISION.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, in a statement agreeing with the Trades Union Congress' decision against the Stockholm Conference, says the failure of the Allied Socialists' Conference to reach within a measurable distance of an agreement has rendered the reconsideration of the whole position of the Stockholm Conference inevitable. Mr. Henderson says that "an international conference with such divergent views as were manifested at the Allied Socialist Conference between the sections of one nation and between the different Allied nations could not only be harmful but might be disastrous."

SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT FOR  
A PACIFIST.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Edmund D. Morel, who was charged with inciting a woman to carry a pamphlet to Switzerland, without a permit, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division.

The accused pleaded guilty and offered to undertake not to repeat the offence.

The magistrate declared that the offence was most serious and described one of the pamphlets as an attempt to vindictive Germany.

[The convicted man is an author and journalist and is best known for the leading part he took as founder and Secretary of the Congo Reform Association, in the movement against misrule in the Congo, on which he published several books and pamphlets.]

## RUSSIAN STATE-BANK RETURNS.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The following are the figures from the current return of the Russian State Bank for July 1917, as compared with July 1914:—

July 1914. July 1917.

Stock of gold. £130,000,000 £160,000,000

Gold balance abroad. £230,000,000 £14,000,000

Notes in circulation. £1,467,000,000 £163,000,000

## A GERMAN CANAL PROJECT.

FROM THE RHINE TO THE  
DANUBE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 4.

The King of Bavaria, in a speech at Nuremberg, announced that the construction of a canal between the Rhine and the Danube had been agreed upon.

The canal would be navigable by ships up to 1,200 tons.

CHINESE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE  
TO KING GEORGE.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The President of the Chinese Republic has telegraphed to the King as follows:—

"Sincere thanks for your telegram of congratulation on China's entry into the war against the common enemy of the world. China, as is universally recognised, is a nation standing for peace, but now, for the sake of justice and humanity, on behalf of the people and the Government, I have the pleasure to assure your Majesty that in concert with the friendly Powers, who are co-operating with the common enemy we will earnestly endeavour in the direction of peace and order to attain the object of the war."

NEW YORK LINER SUNK  
BY MINE.

## 17 PASSENGERS DROWNED.

CAPTOWN, Sept. 4.

A delayed message states that the City of Athens, from New York, was sunk on August 10.

The vessel was carrying a full cargo and 97 passengers, of whom seventeen were drowned.

The Court of Enquiry found that the vessel was sunk, due to striking a mine. The Captain's certificate has been suspended for six months.

The sea was calm at the time of the explosion, but a south easterly gale sprang up and the water was quickly very choppy.

The survivors were paralysed with fear and the whites had to do all the bailing out. They sang hymns when darkness descended at six and the salvage boat arrived at nine o'clock.

The horror of the situation was increased by a school of sharks following the boats.

Three hundred bags of mails, despatched from New York on July 12, were lost.

The crew numbered 115, mostly lascars.

Two terrific explosions occurred forward in the afternoon. There was no panic and the launching of the boats was carried out in a most orderly manner, the women and children receiving first care. Seven boats were cleared safely and the vessel sank an hour later, amid dense volumes of smoke.

The sinking was witnessed from the shore and a salvage tug was immediately despatched, and after a vain search was about to return late at night when it sighted six boats and took aboard the occupants. The seventh boat was subsequently found, waterlogged, with several of its original complement missing.

The survivors, when rescued, were sitting waist deep in water and were absolutely exhausted.

The dead include the Reverend and Mrs. Duckworth and six of their children, and a Miss Robinson, bound for Bombay.

Among the passengers were a number of American missionaries, bound for Central and East Africa to replace the German missionaries.

The Court of Enquiry found that the disaster was due to the ignoring of the Admiralty instructions.

## THE SUBMARINE PIRACY.

## NORWEGIAN SHIPPING LOSSES.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Twenty-one Norwegian ships have been sunk during August.

## ADMIRAL SLADE RETIRES.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Admiral Slade has been placed on the retired list, at his own request, in order to facilitate the promotion of junior officers.

## DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN JUDGE.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The death is announced of the Hon. Sir Frederick Low, a Judge of the High Court.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

Silver is quoted at 47d. There are small supplies owing to the strength of the China Exchange. The Market is firm.

## SCOTTISH SPORT.

(From our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, July 11.

There has been no more exciting game this season than that between Fettes College and Loreto School. It was a Schools' Championship engagement. The Colleges battled first, and chiefly through a fine stand by D. A. Riddell (76), aggregated 184. A level display by the School gave them a total of 177, so that Loreto led by 13 runs, and at their dismissal Fettes in their second innings for two runs under the hundred the carryover looked like assisting them to victory. Set to get 86 to win, H. McLean, D. G. Cochran, and T. G. Binnie gave Loreto a good start, all reaching double figures, but A. T. Lay, R. G. McKerron, and T. S. Ross, the Fettes trundlers, kept plodding away, and at the finish had the satisfaction of winning the match for the College, the last Loreto batsman being dismissed when four runs short. Fettes have now beaten the Academy and Loreto, and drawn with Glenalmond.

Edinburgh Academy defeated Glenalmond in a Schools' Championship match. Academy applied the closure for 8 wickets down and 266 runs, and then got Glenalmond all out with ten minutes to spare, 2162.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## ANOTHER AIR RAID.

SOUTH EAST COAST CROSSED.

LONDON, Sept. 4.  
A British official report states:—  
Enemy aeroplanes crossed the south-east coast at eleven o'clock last night. The raiders dropped bombs at various places.

No reports of casualties or damage have yet been received.

A number of our aeroplanes pursued the enemy.

## THE AMERICAN NATIONAL ARMY.

## PRESIDENT'S WELCOME.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.

President Wilson, in a message welcoming the new soldiers recently selected for the National Army, declares that the eyes of the world are upon them, because they are, in a special sense, the soldiers of freedom. "Let us set for ourselves a standard so high that it will be a glory to live up to it. Then let us live up to it and add new laurels to the crown of America."

AMERICAN PREPARATIONS IN  
FRANCE.

## A MONSTER AVIATION FIELD.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

An Associated Press Correspondent at the American Field Headquarters gives an interesting description of the preparations along the length of American lines of communication on the Western Front for the reception of a big American Army in 1918.

The Correspondent refers to the unlimited assistance the French are rendering, including the lending of thousands of German prisoners, the majority of whom are preparing a remarkable American aviation camp, where accommodation will be provided for 15,000 student flyers. The aviation field is several miles square, and is probably the largest in the entire warzone.

The Americans are at present studying at French schools with marvellous machines. They are regarded as apt pupils.

There are big quartermaster stores having specialist managers.

There have also been established medical reserve bases, from which the field and base hospitals will be supplied.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY TO  
THE POPE.

## GERMANS IMPRESSED.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 4.

It is reliably stated that President Wilson's reply to the Vatican has profoundly impressed German political circles.

It is expected that Herr Erzberger, at the next Reichstag meeting, will demand the immediate installation of a Government responsible to the Reichstag.

He will also propose that the allegiance of Alsace-Lorraine should be decided by the inhabitants of Alsace-Lorraine, and a general disarmament after the war.

## THE RECENT GALE IN ENGLAND.

## DAMAGE LESS THAN FEARED.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The Food Production Department reports that the actual damage caused by the recent gale has proved less than was feared.

There are hopes of saving the bulk of the corn harvest.

DEATH OF A RUSSIAN  
EX-PREMIER.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 4.

The death is announced of the ex-Premier, Mr. Stuermer, the notorious pro-German intriguer.

## NEW ZEALAND'S WAR LOAN.

## HEAVILY OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.

The first instalment of £12,000,000 for the War Loan has been heavily over-subscribed, the subscriptions already amounting to £16,000,000.

THE ATTACK ON LORD  
ATHELSTAN.

## SUICIDE OF THE CULPRIT.

MONTREAL, Sept. 4.

Le Duc, one of the anti-conscriptionists who exploded a charge of dynamite at Lord Athelstan's residence, committed suicide when surrounded by the police. Le Duc, who was well connected, was a drug victim.

## SHIPBUILDING IN ENGLAND.

## A PATRIOTIC MOVE.

LONDON, Sept. 4.

A Committee of employers and men of the shipyards on the Tyne has been formed to accelerate shipbuilding and avoid wastage of manpower.

## INEFFECTUAL PRAYERS.

Two old Scotch ladies were talking about the recent British success. Said one: "It is no wonder that the British are so victorious over the Germans."

"Not a bit," said the other old lady. "Dinna ye ken the Brethren are say their prayers before gain' into battle?"

"But canna the Germans say their prayers as well?"

"No!" was the reply. "Abbering bodies, 'twas the could understand 'them!'"  
Boston Transcript.

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M.P. TALKS OF WOMEN SPIES OF  
HIGH POSITION.

The strong suspicion that German agents in Great Britain have supplied information valuable for air raids was voiced by Sir Henry Dalziel in the House of Commons recently during a discussion on a raid.

"Is the Home Secretary sure that he has complete control over German agents?" he asked. "As far as my information goes it points to increased activity on their part, more especially since America came into the war. I suppose there is not the slightest doubt that information went to Germany from agents in this country in respect of the recent raids. Nothing else could explain the particular times and circumstances shown for them."

Is the Home Secretary certain there is no wireless telegraph in this country used by enemy agents? I understand that certain highly placed women have lately been arrested with more than £30,000 of British gold in their possession, showing that there is no lack of funds for this work."

The only reply made by the Home Secretary was that the responsibility for dealing with spies rested on the Foreign Office. "I have found the military and police extremely active and showing great care in this matter," he said.

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Declaring that the Name of Windsor is

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Family and relinquishing the Use of

All German Titles and Dignities.

George R.I.

Whereas We, having taken into considera-

tion the Name and Title of Our Royal

House and Family, have determined

that henceforth Our House and Family

shall be styled and known as the House

and Family of Windsor;

And whereas We have further determined

for Ourselves and for on behalf of

Our descendants and all other the

descendants of Our Grandmother Queen

Victoria of blessed and glorious memory

to relinquish and discontinue the use

of all German Titles and Dignities;

And whereas We have declared Our

determination in Our Privy Council.

Now, therefore, We, our said Royal

Will and Authority; do hereby declare

and announce that as from the date of

this Our Royal Proclamation Our House

and Family shall be styled and known

as the House and Family of Windsor,

and that all the descendants in the

male line of Our said Grandmother

Queen Victoria who are subjects of

these Realms, other than female

descendants who may marry or may

have married, shall bear the said Name

of Windsor;

And do hereby further declare and

announce that We for Ourselves and

for on behalf of Our descendants

and all other the descendants of Our

said Grandmother Queen Victoria who

are subjects of these Realms, reli-

quish and enjoin the discontinuance

of the use of the Degrees, Styles, Digni-

ties, Titles and Honours of Dukes and

Duchesses of Saxony and Princes and

Princesses of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha,

and all other German Degrees, Styles,

Dignities, Titles, Honours and Appella-

tions to Us or to them heretofore

belonging or appertaining.

WHAT THE CHANGE MEANS.

Henceforth the reigning dynasty in

Great Britain and Ireland will cease to be

a branch, and the most exalted branch,

of the House of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha.

The Royal dynasty became that of

Saxe-Coburg-Gotha with the accession of

King Edward VII., whose father, the

Prince Consort, was Prince Albert of

Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. In the 19th century

this almost obscure German Ducal family

had attained an extraordinary position

among the reigning Houses of Europe.

Its advancement it owed very largely to

the personal qualities and great ability

of Queen Victoria's uncle, King Leopold

I, of Belgium, and its greatest achieve-

ment was undoubtedly the marriage of

Prince Albert to our late Queen. To the

same House belong the Royal dynasties

of Belgium and Bulgaria, and the deposed

Royal dynasty of Portugal.

But the change goes further than the

foundation of a new Windsor dynasty.

Not only is the Royal house to be styled

"the House of Windsor," but the family

surname becomes Windsor.

As the title of Prince and Princess is

henceforth limited to the children and

grandchildren of the Sovereign it follows

that a great-great-grandson of a British

Monarch will be plain "Mr. Windsor."

His great-grandsons, too, will be com-

moners, but will bear the courtesy title

of Lord Windsor, if we assume

that the custom still prevails of creating

the Sovereign's sons dukes.

Windsor is certainly a good choice of

name. Even before the Conquest the

King had a Royal hunting lodge at

Windsor. The first two Henries and

John lived in the Castle, and Edward

III. was born there. It was used by the

Tudors as one of their favourite Palaces,

and through the nineteenth century it

was regarded more or less as the head-

quarters of the Royal Family.

The British Royal House has in the

past borne various names that might have

been revived with advantage—Plant-

agenet, York, Lancaster, Tudor, Stewart,

D'Este (Queen Anne), and Guelph—but

for historical and other reasons it was

impossible that any of them should be

revived for the present dynasty. Windsor

as a territorial title, however, may be

likened to Lancaster and York, and—the

main thing—is entirely English and

native in history and associations. "The

Times."

LABOUR AND  
INTELLIGENCE.

[By Sir H. H. JOHNSTON.]

Let us heal the divorce as quickly as

we may between Labour and Intel-

ligence. I was about to write, when it

occurred to me that as they had never

yet been married they could not well be

divorced. They are still not even

betrothed at the present day. But if a

union could be brought about between

them it might result in a complete

cohesion. Then a severance of Intel-

ligence from Labour or the non-support

of Labour for Intelligence would become

impossibilities in the modern State. All

intelligentsia, with a few educated men and

women would belong to the Labour

party, and all those who worked mainly

with their hands—but hand work is

more and more associated through

machinery with head-work nowadays—

would have inherently the greatest

respect for science and art, for high

intelligence and all the branches of human

thought and research.

The severance of these two great

factors at the present day is the main

cause of our present troubles, the main

reason why we are not winning the war

as quickly as we might do, why we look

down with a feeling of apprehension and

even to the coming of peace, lest it

should throw the community into a

whirlpool of disputes between Labour

and Capital, Labour and Intelligence,

or bring about a state of chaos, in

which, as heretofore, the bureaucracy,

the aristocracy of the men of wealth, the

brewer and distiller, the fanatic or the

cynic would still govern the nation badly

and delay its recovery and its attain-

ment of a millennium of happiness.

A STUPID AND CRUEL DEED.

One of the stupidest and cruellest

deeds to be laid at the door of

Bureaucracy has just been committed:

the spoiling, the mutilation, the virtual

abstraction of the People's Palace of Art

at North Kensington, the taking over of

the Victoria and Albert Museum by the

Board of Education for its headquarters,

when equally efficient headquarters

could have been found in a hundred

other buildings more suitable in structure

and accommodation than a periphery

of one mile from the heart of Whitehall.

One could almost believe that Bureau-

cracy had had its eye on this beautiful

Palace for the past two or three years, as

it reached completion. It seized the

opportunity of the mushroom growth of

other, more or less temporary Depart-

ments, to pounce on its prey.

And Intelligence, as represented by

the men and women of the middle

classes, is powerless to do anything to

not care a fig, has possibly never even

entered the Victoria and Albert Museum,

because it has, on a small scale, Victoria

and Albert Museums at home. And

Labour remains supremely indifferent,

especially now it has got its further

levance of beer. Is it not lament-

able that we have not a single offi-

cial Labour representative in Parlia-

ment who has even given a thought

to this outrage on the part of Bureau-

cracy? If Bureaucracy feared "for

momentum of the dockers, the packers,

the colliers, the workers of all and every

kind, would realise how enormously the

loss of the People's Palace of Art, it

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retrievably spoiled. But it knows only too

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